

## **News Release**

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## Kaua'i RSVP hosts collection drive for frontline workers

LĪHU'E – The Kaua'i Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (Kaua'i RSVP) sponsored by the County of Kaua'i Agency on Elderly Affairs is hosting a collection drive by appointment only on Sept. 4, Sept. 8, and Sept. 9, to honor Kaua'i's frontline hospital workers.

"We are putting together care packages for about 360 of Kaua'i's frontline workers as part of the Sept. 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance," said Kealoha Takahashi, Executive for the Agency on Elderly Affairs. "We are asking for the public's assistance in making this project a success, so that we can show our true appreciation for our first responders and their vital role in the current pandemic response."

The Kaua'i RSVP Advisory Council is requesting donation items from the public such as prepackaged snacks and gift cards.

Anyone wishing to donate items is asked to schedule an appointment with RSVP's Grace Domingo Delos Reyes by emailing <a href="mailto:rsvp@kauai.gov">rsvp@kauai.gov</a> or calling 241-4479. Appointments for the collection drive will be scheduled for Sept. 4, Sept. 8, and Sept. 9.

All volunteers and employees administering the collection drive will be wearing masks and physical distancing will be observed. Officials are also asking participants to wear a mask covering their nose and mouth during their scheduled drop-off or pick-up of donated items.

The Sept. 11 National Day of Service and Remembrance is an annual tribute to the 9/11 victims and survivors, and the remarkable community response that followed. Through this day

of service, participants commemorate the tragedy by demonstrating kindness and generosity to one another.

The Kaua'i RSVP began in 1973 under the sponsorship of the County of Kaua'i Agency on Elderly Affairs. Kaua'i RSVP is a SeniorCorps program under the Corporation for National and Community Service and provides volunteer opportunities for persons 55 and older to remain active, contributing members of the community through volunteer involvement.

For more information about the Kaua'i RSVP and its collection drive, or if you need an auxiliary aid/service or other accommodation due to a disability, please contact Grace Domingo Delos Reyes at 241-4479 as soon as possible. Requests made as early as possible will allow adequate time to fulfill your request. Upon request, this notice is available in alternate formats such as large print, Braille, or electronic copy.

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